



Carlsbad Police Department

PRESS RELEASE

Crime/Incident:	Vehicle pursuit / stolen vehicle apprehension	Case:	10-2860
Date:	5-9-2010	Time:	0500 hours
Location:	Tamarack / College Carlsbad, CA		
Suspect 1:	Pablo Santiago	Age:	21
Suspect 2:		Age:	
Victim 1:		Age:	
Victim 2:		Age:	

Summary:

On 5-9-2010 at about 0500 hours, Carlsbad Police attempted to initiate a traffic stop on a vehicle whose driver was suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs. The vehicle was swerving badly. The driver did not yield to the officer's emergency lights and siren and a short vehicle pursuit ensued. The driver of the vehicle abandoned it, still rolling, in the area of Tamarack and College in Carlsbad, CA. One of the passengers placed the vehicle in "park" to keep it from rolling away.

The driver, a parolee at large, later identified as Pablo Santiago, age 21, fled on foot. Carlsbad Police immediately set up a perimeter in the area where Santiago was last seen running.

Santiago ran through several back yards in his attempt to evade arrest. He attempted to enter one of the residences by the back sliding door but it was locked. He jumped into another backyard and attempted to enter another residence but a neighbor observed him and dissuaded him from entering.

While running from the police through the residence's back yards, Santiago inadvertently fell into a swimming pool in the back yard. Soaking wet, Santiago continued to run, but left a trail of water which assisted police to track his movements.

After about 20 minutes, Santiago was captured by police without incident. The vehicle that Santiago was driving was reported stolen from the Lakeside, CA area.

Santiago was booked for parole violations, auto theft, possession of stolen property, evading police, and driving under the influence of drugs.

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